THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) to (c) The installed generation capacity of Bihar State as on 31.07.2005 was 585 MW against which the actual generation during April-July 2005 was 60 MU.

The requirement of power in the State is being met from its own generating stations, allocation from Central Generating Stations located in the Eastern Region (980 MW) and supply from Chukha Hydro Electric Project from Bhutan (80 MW). Against an energy requirement of 2592 MU and peak demand of 1095 MW during the period April-July, 2005 in Bihar, the availability was 2159 MU and 981 MW respectively.

(d) The Central Government has launched a new scheme "Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana" on 4th April, 2005 for providing access to electricity to all household in the country in five years. Out of total of 5,87,556 inhabited villages in the country as per 1991 census, 4,74,982 villages (80.80%) are electrified as on 31.03.2004. Out of total number of 38475 inhabited villages in the State of Bihar, 19,251 (50%) are electrified as on 31.03.2004.

Survey regarding the gap between consumption and production of power

†2465. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have conducted any survey regarding the gap between total consumption and production of power in the States; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The forecasting of electricity demand in the country is done through periodic Electric Power surveys and the realistic assessment with regard to supply of power is arrived at based on realization of capacity addition targets and efficiency gains through improvement in plant load factor.

According to 16th Electric Power Survey Report, peak demand by the end of XI and XII Plans is projected as 157107 and 212725 MW.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.